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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**[FE Docket No. 13-69-LNG; FE Docket No. 14-88-LNG; FE Docket No. 15-25-LNG]
Venture Global Calcasieu Pass, LLC; Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term
Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations**

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Record of decision.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of a Record of Decision (ROD) published under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and implementing regulations. As discussed, this ROD supports DOE/FE's decision in DOE/FE Order No. 4346, an opinion and order authorizing Venture Global Calcasieu Pass, LLC to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas to non-free trade agreement countries under section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 5, 2019, DOE/FE issued Order No. 4346 to Venture Global Calcasieu Pass, LLC (Calcasieu Pass) under NGA section 3(a), 15 USC 717b(a). This Order authorizes Calcasieu Pass to export domestically produced LNG to any country with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries). Calcasieu Pass is authorized to export the LNG in a volume equivalent to 620 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year of natural gas (1.7 Bcf/day) from the proposed Venture Global Calcasieu Pass Project (Project), to be located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

DOE/FE participated as a cooperating agency with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) analyzing the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project that would be used to support the export authorization sought from DOE/FE. DOE adopted the EIS and prepared the ROD, which is attached as an appendix to the Order. The ROD can be found here:

<https://energy.gov/fe/downloads/venture-global-calcasieu-pass-llc-calcasieu-pass>.

Signed in Washington, D.C., on March 5, 2019.

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